

Broadcasters that use the public airwaves are obligated by law to serve the public interest. The FCC has stated that as public trustees, broadcasters may not intentionally distort the news and that "rigging or slanting the news is a most heinous act against the public interest."

Biased broadcasting is dangerous enough when one news station or program does it and sabotages the public's right to informed decision-making, it is a crisis that is multiplied in the face of increased media consolidation.

Fox News' continued broadcast of the "O'Reilly Factor" and Sinclair Broadcast Group's recent actions, to produce bias material under the label of "news," have illustrated why we need to demand accountability in news reporting and strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them.

I look to the FCC to focus it's work on promoting what's in the public's interest.

Thank you